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Weaving God's Unfinished Tapestry

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 15, 2026 10:00 a.m.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Word of God

Procession to the Altar

“Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word”

Hymn #440

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People: His mercy endures for ever. Amen.

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Kyrie

Trent Clegg

Org.

Lord, Lord, have mer - cy on us. Lord, Lord, have
mer - cy on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.
Christ_ have mer - cy. Christ_ have mer - cy. Christ_ have mer - cy on
us. Lord, Lord, have mer - cy on us. Lord, Lord, have
mer - cy on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Reader: A reading from the first book of Samuel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Response

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; *
I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:8-14

Reader: A reading from the letter to the Ephesians.

For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

"How Wondrous and Great Thy Works"

Hymn #533

The Gospel

John 9:1-41

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him

Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

Rev. James Lawal

The Nicene Creed

All: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Sean, for Bishop Jos; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
Pray for the Church.

Silence

Leader: I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

Leader: I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

Leader: I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

Leader: I ask your prayers for the departed.
Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Leader: Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Celebrant: Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your son Jesus Christ,
have mercy upon us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, and gluten free
wafers are available upon request.*

*If you do not want to share in communion but would like a blessing,
please join the line and cross your arms across your chest when you come to the priest.*

*If you would like to share in the bread but not the wine, you may cross your arms across
your chest when you come to the minister with the wine.*

The Holy Communion

Celebrant: Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Presentation of Gifts

Offertory Anthem

“Leave it There”

words and music by Charles A. Tindley

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Trent Clegg

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might,
hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high -
est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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Our Fa-ther who art in Hea-ven, ha llo wed be Thy name. Thy King-dom
come, Thy will be done on Earth as it is in Hea-ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-
give us our tress-pass-es as we for-give those who tress-pass a-gainst us. And
lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion but de-li-ver us from e-vil, for Thine is the King-dom and the
pow-er and the glo-ry for-e-ver. A-men

The Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei

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Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world. Have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world. Have mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world. Grant us peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Celebrant: For and with those who are joining us online, we pray:

All: God of infinite mercy, we thank you for Jesus our Savior, who feeds us and gives us eternal life. Though those praying at home cannot consume the gifts of bread and wine, we thank you that we share the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. Grant that we may continue forever in the risen life of our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, now and forever.

Communion Music

“Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness”

Hymn #339

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

Hymn #490

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Special Prayers

Announcements

The Blessing

Procession to the World

“Thine Arm, O Lord, in Days of Old”

Hymn #567

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



PRAYERS

This week we keep in our prayers:

Eden, Barbara K, Bob K, Jakob, Mary G, Brittany and family, Mona, Trent, Fran M, Ruth, Joe M, Martin & Sue, Robert G, Fr. James, Curtis, Terrie, Shelby, Dolores, Micah & Emily, Charisse, Arne, AJ, Barb D, Virginia, Tammy, Chantelle, Scotti, Janie, Larry, Jeffrey, Dana, Dale, Linda, Jesse, Tom & Talya, Sophie, Crystal, Nancy S, Fran, Taylor, Mary, Bryan, Jeff, Holly, Chad, Rev. Doug & Deacon Eileen, Heather, and the Pocatello Women's Correctional Center Residents and Staff.

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

*Please join us for coffee & fellowship
in the Parish Hall following the service.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lenten Soup Supper & Sung Compline. Our final Lenten Soup Supper will be March 24 at 6pm. At 7pm, after we've eaten, we'll move to the church for the short and lovely candlelit service of Sung Compline.

Feeding the 5,000 Families & MBT. The Portneuf Valley's "Feeding the 5,000 Families" food drive started later than usual this year, but Trinity is still collecting food for My Brother's Table this Lent. Each Sunday in Lent we'll collect food for My Brothers' Table. MBT especially needs items for visitor's takeaway bags: proteins (chili, tuna); vegetables (green beans, corn); and pasta (mac & cheese, ramen.) Bring a box, a can or a case; bring them in one week or every week! BiLo's and Ridley's are holding their annual Case Lot Sales now through March 16th!

Loving the Questions. How can we handle grief and anger in ways that are faithful... prayerful... scriptural... and healthy? We'll explore these questions on Saturday, March 21, at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall.

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Celebrant & Homilist:	The Rev. James Lawal
Eucharistic Minister:	Joe Crupper, Misty Martinell
Lectors:	Miffy Lane, Joe Marley
Prayer of the People:	Catherine Buttrick
Ushers:	Jeffre Miller, Kathy Venemon
Altar Guild:	Rev. Haydie
Bread:	Diane Nelson
Vestry on Duty:	Roberta Turner
Music Director:	Trent Clegg
Audiovisual Facilitator:	Joe Crupper
Coffee Hour Host:	Kathleen Kangas

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Monday, March 16, 2025	10:00-2:00	Church Office Open
	10:00-1:00	Rev. Haydie Office Hours
	2:00 p.m.	OGP
	4:45 p.m.	Alleluia Choir
	5:15 p.m.	Girl Scouts
	8:00 p.m.	A.A.
Tuesday, March 17, 2025	3:00 p.m.	OGP
	8:00 p.m.	A.A.
Wednesday, March 18, 2025	9:00-2:00	Phone/Email Office Hours
	3:00 p.m.	OGP
	7:00 p.m.	Vestry
Thursday, March 19, 2025	10:00-2:00	Church Office Open
	3:00 p.m.	OGP
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Friday, March 20, 2025	10:00-2:00	Church Office Open
	10:00-1:00	Rev. Haydie Office Hours
	3:00 p.m.	OGP
	8:00 p.m.	A.A.
Saturday, March 21, 2025	10:00 a.m.	Loving the Questions
	11:00 a.m.	ECW
Sunday, March 22, 2025	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	1:30 p.m.	My Brother's Table



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